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What We Do

As part of our planning process, we have specified five core competencies for Air Force financial management. I want to share them with you because they identify the important services that the Air Force financial management community provides for our Air Force.

- **Exercise fiduciary responsibility.** We are responsible for being sure that financial laws and regulations are obeyed.
- **Formulate, justify, and execute budgets.** Although managers throughout the Air Force are involved, we must make the process work.
- **Provide financial services.** When Air Force personnel are concerned about their pay and travel reimbursements, they cannot concentrate effectively on their mission.
- **Provide financial advice and analyses.** Our commanders need data and analysis to assist them in making good financial decisions.
- **Support contingency operations.** Our wartime tasking often has us deploying in the first wave.

Many of these core competencies must be carried out by government personnel. Some must be carried out by blue-suit personnel. These core competencies therefore make clear why the Air Force will always need an FM community, including a substantial number of blue-suit personnel.

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